

Shelving Of
Jap Treaty
LikelyEffect Of Latest
China-U.S. Scrap

Tokyo, Jan. 15.—Communist China's latest scrap with the United States will result in the shelving of plans for an early Japanese peace conference and probably will indefinitely postpone the reopening of Japan's vital trade with China, well-informed sources said here today.

Neither American nor Japanese officials would comment for publication on the ordered American diplomatic withdrawal from China, but in private sessions they and other officials here saw the Communist action as a major blow to the Western unity in Far Eastern affairs and to Japan's hopes for economic recovery and independence.

FOUR POINTS

It was pointed out that the shelving of all Chinese of early American recent loss of the Peking government of has:

1. Driven a wedge between the United States and Britain over the containment of Communism in the Far East and over the questions of Chinese representation in the United Nations, Far Eastern Commission, Allied Council for Japan and other international bodies.
2. Made the calling of an all Chinese conference impossible, as long as the Communist-imposed relations continue.
3. Destroyed for American-occupied Japan the hope of early economic recovery through the stimulus of revived trade with China, thereby postponing the day when the United States can be freed from the burden of supporting Japan.
4. Increased Japan's importance as America's Far East outpost, United Press.

Severs Relations

Taipei, January 15.—The Chinese Nationalist Foreign Office announced tonight severance of relations with Communist China, following the Communist declaration of the Peking government.

London Concerned
By Communist Action
Against American
Property In Peking

London, Jan. 15.—Communist seizure of American property in Peking has caused serious concern among top British officials, reliable sources said tonight. Meanwhile considerable haze surrounded the recent British offer extending recognition to the Chinese Communists.

British officials were already paying considerable note to criticism from other members of the Commonwealth on British recognition of Communist China, the informants said, and the new action directed at the Americans gave them additional cause for worry.

Foreign Office sources said the British Consul General in Peking has been instructed to ask the Communist Foreign Office there for a further explanation of its reply to the British offer of recognition.

The explanation, these sources said, involves clarification of the Communist position on the British representative in Peking.

Lantau-Macao
Naval Patrol

In view of recent reports of motor vessels plying between Hongkong and Macao being fired upon by Nationalist gunboats in the Pearl River estuary, the Navy in Hongkong has established motor launch patrols between Lantau and Macao and the Director of Marine has advised ships coming from Macao to the north of Lantau.

Last week eight motor vessels were forced to turn back to Macao after being fired upon by three gunboats, which are based in the Western Harbour in the Pearl River.

Two other Chinese vessels with cargoes were intercepted off Lap Sap Mei in the day and cargo transferred to British gunboats. The motor launch patrols have been ordered to keep a close watch on the motor vessels plying between the two ports, have suspended their operations.

The Office has forwarded to Peking an American protest over threatened seizure of U.S. property. This was based on earlier threats by the Communists to oust American officials and not on the actual occupation of the American Consulate.

PREPARE TO LEAVE

Washington, Jan. 15.—A State Department spokesman said today American groups at Shanghai and Nanking acknowledged receiving orders to leave China after U.S. diplomats at Peking.

Mr. Michael J. McDermott, Department Press Officer, said it was assumed that all American officials in China were preparing to leave on their own.

He said, even if Chinese authorities were to operate in this case, excluding it is expected to be at least a month before they could longer before it is completed.

He said the seizure of the American compound in Peking, which has been the Embassy since the Communists took over.

The Communist seizure was based on a proclamation issued by the Communist government in Peking, which stated that such properties were based on "unequal treaties" that is, treaties unfavourable to China which have been abolished by the Communists.

United States protests accused the Chinese Reds of violating treaties which this government considers still to be in force, including both a pact made at the time of the Boxer Rebellion fifty years ago and a 1943 Chinese-American treaty which brought the relations of the two countries up to date. Associated Press.

SCHUMAN'S
VETO

Bonn, Germany, Jan. 15.—The French Foreign Minister, Robert Schuman, tonight vetoed plans for German rearmament and for a plebiscite in the Saar, at least until the signing of the peace treaty.

At a press conference in local French headquarters, M. Schuman came out strongly against rearmament, Germany now. He declared:

"When we have completed demilitarisation of Germany, it is nonsense to speak again of rebuilding the army. Germany has other more important problems to consider—reconstruction and refugees."

M. Schuman left a loophole when referring to the threat created by the para-military police of the Russian Zone, however. He said that if this menace grew to a point "where there is cause for unrest, then there will be consequences which the three allies must face."

M. Schuman's stand on the Saar was unwavering. He said: "There is no place, no legal basis for a plebiscite before the peace treaty. There is a constitution, and the population of the Saar does not want a plebiscite."—United Press.

Quirino In United States



President Elpidio Quirino of the Philippines (right, light hat) receives an enthusiastic greeting from several hundred Filipino nationals on his arrival at the San Francisco airport. Mr. Quirino was enroute to Baltimore for medical treatment.—AP Picture.

Hongkong's Annual Racing Carnival

Results Of First
Five Races

The second day of the Hongkong Jockey Club's annual racing carnival opened under threatening skies. The rain held off at Happy Valley until tiffin time, but the going was comparatively slow. Only a small crowd was present for the pre-tiffin events.

The third race in which Ann Ling beat Liberty Ship provided a photo finish. Ann Ling was adjudged the winner by a short head.

THE RESULTS

1. VALLEY STAKES (First Section) Winner, \$2,000. Second, \$1,000. Third, \$500. For Australian Subscription Purses of 1950. Weight 120 lbs. Winners barred six furlongs.
1. Ben Crahan (C. H. Ren) 150 lbs.
 2. Strathmore (A. Ostrumoff) 150 lbs.
 3. Dania (H. T. Alexander) 150 lbs.
- Also ran: Battleship (K. Kwok) 150 lbs. Dan Pedro (G. Renner) 150 lbs. Savanore (C. F. Ng) 150 lbs. Tartan (Peter Young) 150 lbs.
- Seven Starters.
Won by Four lengths, 1 1/2 lengths.
Time 1:25.
Pari-mutuel \$12.80 winner. Places 5/70, 9/10, 5/60.

- 3-P-A-C CUP—Presented Winner, \$2,500. Second, \$1,250. Third, \$1,000. A Handicap for Australian Purses, Class 2. Winners of less than two races since January 1, 1949, barred 1 1/2 miles.
1. Sealife (H. T. Alexander) 154 lbs.
 2. Lily (S. W. Lee) 159 lbs.
 3. Day Day (H. F. Chanson) 150 lbs.
- Also ran: Belle Fontaine (H. R. Holgate) 144 lbs. Foyle (A. Ostrumoff) 140 lbs. Jeep Shing (K. Kwok) 141 lbs. The Chief (G. Renner) 140 lbs. World Peace (H. Maitland) 154 lbs.
- Eight Starters.
Won by Six lengths; the same.
Time 2:19 2/5.
Pari-mutuel \$29.30 winner. Places 11/10, 10/30, 26/40.

- 2—HONGKONG HANDICAP (First Section) Winner, \$2,500. Second, \$1,250. Third, \$1,000. For Australian Purses, Class 2. From the Site Post (About 1/2 mile 130 Yards).
1. Gypsy (K. S. Chu) 139 lbs.
 2. Strathmore (A. Ostrumoff) 158 lbs.
 3. Argus II (L. F. Mui) 146 lbs.

- Also ran: Bronte (C. H. Renner) 139 lbs. Hay (C. F. Ng) 159 lbs. Green Velvet (K. S. Chu) 144 lbs. Jetty (C. F. Ng) 139 lbs. Kingfisher (H. Maitland) 159 lbs. National Guard (H. T. Alexander) 150 lbs. Sans About (G. Renner) 148 lbs. Shangri-la (H. R. Holgate) 140 lbs. Small Dragon (Wong Yan) 159 lbs. Speed Wheel (W. K. Shieh) 159 lbs. Zephyr (Peter Young) 159 lbs.
- 14 Starters.
Won by Many lengths; 1 1/2 lengths.
Time 1:03 2/5.
Pari-mutuel \$18.50 winner. Places 8/50, 10/30, 31/10.

- 3—NORTHERN HANDICAP, Winner, \$2,000. Second, \$1,000. Third, \$750. For Australian Purses, Class 4. Jockey Allowance. From the Site Post (About 1/2 mile 130 Yards).
1. Ann Ling (W. M. Thomas) 149 lbs.
 2. Liberty Ship (G. Renner) 147 lbs.
 3. Hurricane (Wong Yan) 159 lbs.

- Also ran: D Day (H. F. Chanson) 154 lbs. Good Ship (K. Kwok) 144 lbs. Popularity (K. F. Chu) 140 lbs. Prince Delight (W. F. M. Cook) 138 lbs.
- Seven Starters.
Won by Short head; 1 1/2 lengths.
Time 2:03 2/5.

Nationalist Blockade
To Be Continued

Taipei, Jan. 15.—A Nationalist Naval spokesman said today that the government has no intention to relax the blockade of Communist China, adding that any ship which seeks to duplicate the Flying Arrow's effort to break through will get the same response. The spokesman said this applies to British, American

warnings or any other information were sent to the consular officials regarding British ships passing through the blockade. They said that such would come either from the home office in London or through the Royal Navy at Hongkong.

In the event that a request is made for American ships to go into Shanghai or Tientsin they are likely to be forced to meet specifications not to carry cargo in or out.—United Press.

The Divina, which was acquired by the Admiralty last Friday, was released yesterday and sailed for Liverpool on the British east coast today.

A survivor from the Truculent, Dennis Griffiths, today said, "The engines had stopped for about half a minute and then the skipper shouted 'hard astern' but we had no chance to go astern."

The bows went down and the Truculent sank very smoothly, he said.

A buoy was released at 7:10 p.m. GMT, then flooding arrangements were carried out.

ORDERLY ESCAPE

"At the depth we were, about 45 feet, which we could read on the indicator, it would take about three-quarters of an hour for us to flood the compartment. The escape hatch was made ready, the canvas chute lowered and the First Lieutenant who had to open the hatch, was the first to leave. We left in a very orderly way. Although we had very little air, the boys were joking. One had just put his

cigarettes and was offering them at three-half-pence for 20, but there were no offers.

"It was about the 18th or 19th to leave and there were three or four left behind me. I got out without an escape apparatus."

When he reached the surface he saw hundreds of lights about. "The Divina seemed to be zig-zagging. We were all shouting. The Divina picked up ten of us of whom five had no escape apparatus. When I came up the Divina was two or three miles from us," Griffiths said.—Reuter.

EXPERIMENTAL SUB.

Florida, Jan. 15.—midget submarine with tractor treads is being tested here for its possibilities as a rescuer of trapped crews in sunken underwater craft.

The \$50,000 two-man submarine was built by the inventor Halley H. Hamlin of Cortland, New York.

Only 12 feet long it can sink to its bottom, creep around on its tank-like tractor treads and remain submerged for 24 hours with one man or 32 hours with two men, it is claimed.

Mr. Hamlin said that his tiny craft could be re-designed to take the place of the diving bell as a means of escape.

He added, "When a salvage officer wants to know what is going on at the bottom he must look through the eyes of the diver who is punch-drunk from pressure."

"Our craft will do away with the second-hand information by allowing the officer in charge to go down and look over the situation."—Reuter.

Death Of Gen.
Arnold

Falo Alto, California, Jan. 15.—General Henry H. Arnold, United States Army Air Force, died at his home here today, aged 63.

General Arnold suffered a severe heart attack last July. He went on retirement from the Air Force in 1946.

He directed the operations of United States aircraft against the enemy in the European and Pacific theatres during the last war.—Reuter.

EDITORIAL

Achievements At Colombo

THE Colombo Conference has ended, and while it is impossible to tell from the winding-up communiqué just what decisions, if any were reached, one can be positive about the cordial, sympathetic and understanding spirit which characterised this historic meeting of top-level British Commonwealth ministers. Mr. Spender, the new Australian Minister for External Affairs gave a good clue to the goodwill which prevailed throughout the conference by referring to Mr. Bevin's sagacity and advice—a charming tribute at a time when, as Mr. Spender observed, he could not seriously wish the Foreign Minister well in the coming elections. But the meaning and temper of the conference was best described by Mr. Nehru, who expressed the hope that the parleys had "set an example for such discussions with goodwill and co-operation between men who did not, and need not think alike." And the Indian Premier underlined the significance of the conference by observing that while such meetings may not solve world problems they do help us to prevent things going completely astray. While the formal communiques have given little inkling as to what measure of agreement was reached on the various subjects discussed, they do quite clearly reveal the scope of the talks. The subjects ranged from the political and economic situations (present and possible future) in Indonesia, Malaya, Siam, Burma, Indo-China and China—a formidable array of problems. Mere exchange of ideas in a friendly, receptive atmosphere made the Colombo conference worth while, but it is not stretching credulity too far to believe that the parleys produced even more important results. It is true that Mr. Nehru pointed out that it was not the function of the conference to give any executive direction or to lay down any official directions to the governments represented; nevertheless the tone of all the speeches which

brought about the winding-up of the conference strongly suggested that an appreciable degree of unanimity as to the best methods of dealing with the problems of Asia in relation to the problems of the West had been realised. This will manifest itself in correct perspective in the future, but the simple fact that such a conference has been held is striking evidence of the growing solidarity of the British Commonwealth. Here again we echo, in appreciation of the commonsense which the sentiments contain, remarks by Mr. Spender when he said that while Australia fully supported the United Nations, "at the same time it is my firm belief that this association of free peoples of the Commonwealth is one of the firmest foundations on which peace can be created." It is a wise utterance for only from free peoples of the world can genuine peace come. The fundamental weakness of the United Nations is that it cannot be united: its membership includes nations whose people are denied any of the ordinary human rights and freedoms associated with the democracies. And because of this the free peoples of the world, which include those of the British Commonwealth, must rely on their own united strength and their united actions to guarantee, as far as guarantees can be offered in these days, peace for themselves and the rest of the universe. Undoubtedly the Colombo conference has accomplished something in this direction. It has advanced the Commonwealth, another big and important step towards solidarity in the interests of mankind. There was no ulterior motive behind the discussions. They simply demonstrated that members of the British Commonwealth appreciated that the problems of the world today are indivisible and that the Commonwealth, in concert with other free and democratic nations intends to try and find a common solution to them that will be equable and durable.

To make "green dressing" for cabbage salad, combine 2 tbsp. minced green pepper, 1 tbsp. minced parsley, $\frac{1}{4}$ tbsp. minced fresh dill and $\frac{1}{4}$ c. French dressing.

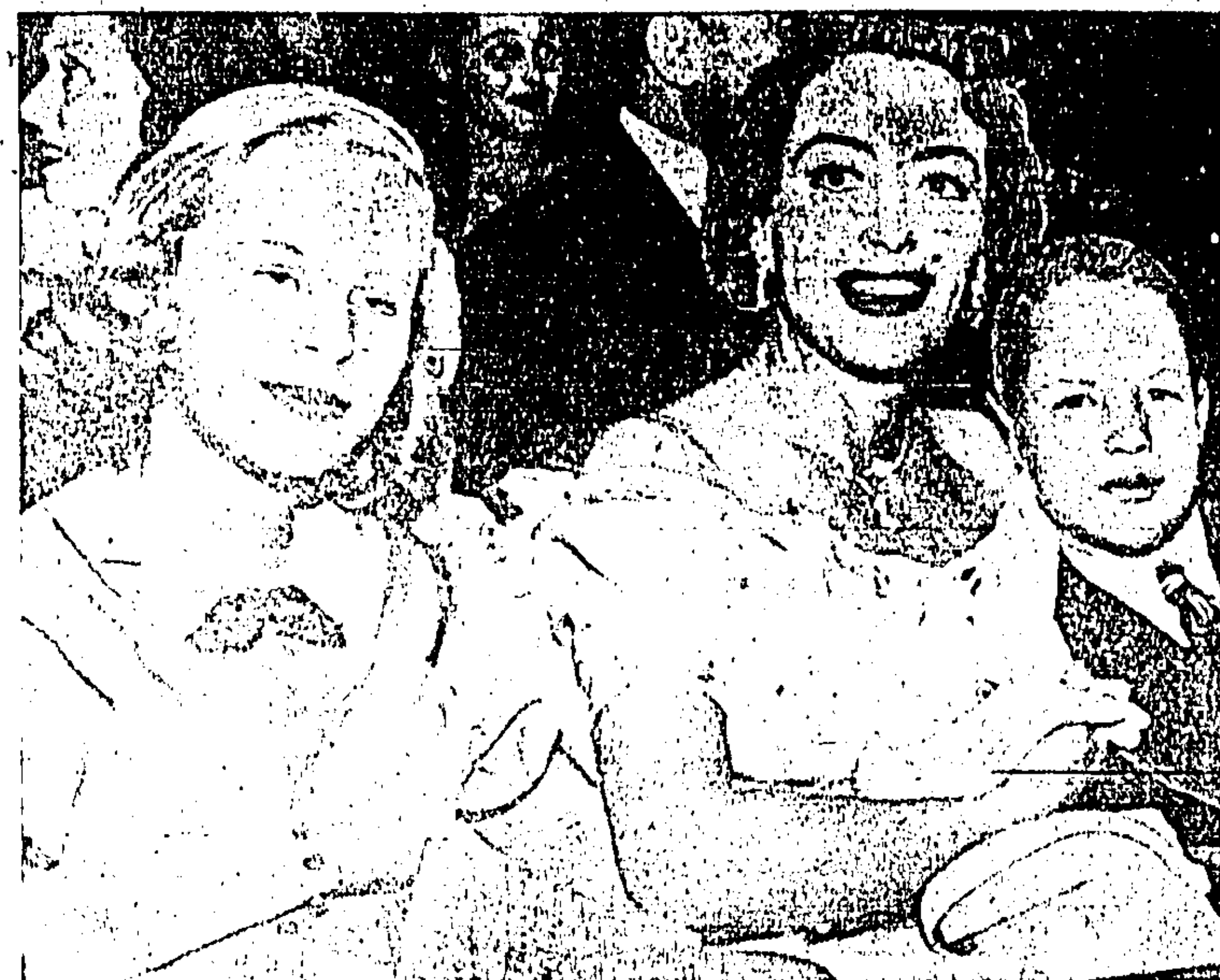
PICTORIAL NEWSFRONT



HE HAS THE KNOW-HOW—Starting with such basic raw materials as lard tins, old hot plates and discarded vacuum cleaners, young Johnny Clive Williams, 16, of Fayette, Alabama, is setting a fast pace for future farmers. His electrical achievements on the farm have won considerable attention. He is shown here with two of his four registered Jersey cows.



THOROUGHLY ESCORTED—Dressed in miniature uniforms of the Lancers, two youthful but soldierly pages escort this young bridesmaid to a wedding in London. Their dignified bearing must indicate the great responsibility they feel.



GROWING UP—Actress Joan Crawford has been the star of many Hollywood premieres. On this occasion, she's treating two of her adopted children, Christine, left, and Christopher, to their first one in the film capital.



PISTOL-PACKIN' STARLET—Laura Elliott appears well-armed, in addition to being well-endowed with natural beauty. Laura's one of the busiest starlets in Hollywood, having appeared in 10 films in 15 months.



REPLANT BERLIN BATTLEGROUND—Gardeners plant small trees in the famous Tiergarten, which was destroyed during the battle for Berlin. The city of Bremen sent a gift of 30,000 oak, beech and lime trees to Berlin. In the foreground is a bullet-scarred monument depicting a wild boar hunt. In the background is a triumphal column.



RIDING HIGH—Claudette Stacey rides along the beach at San Juan, Puerto Rico, on the shoulders of Tomas Sanchez. They are dressed as pirates in search of rum.



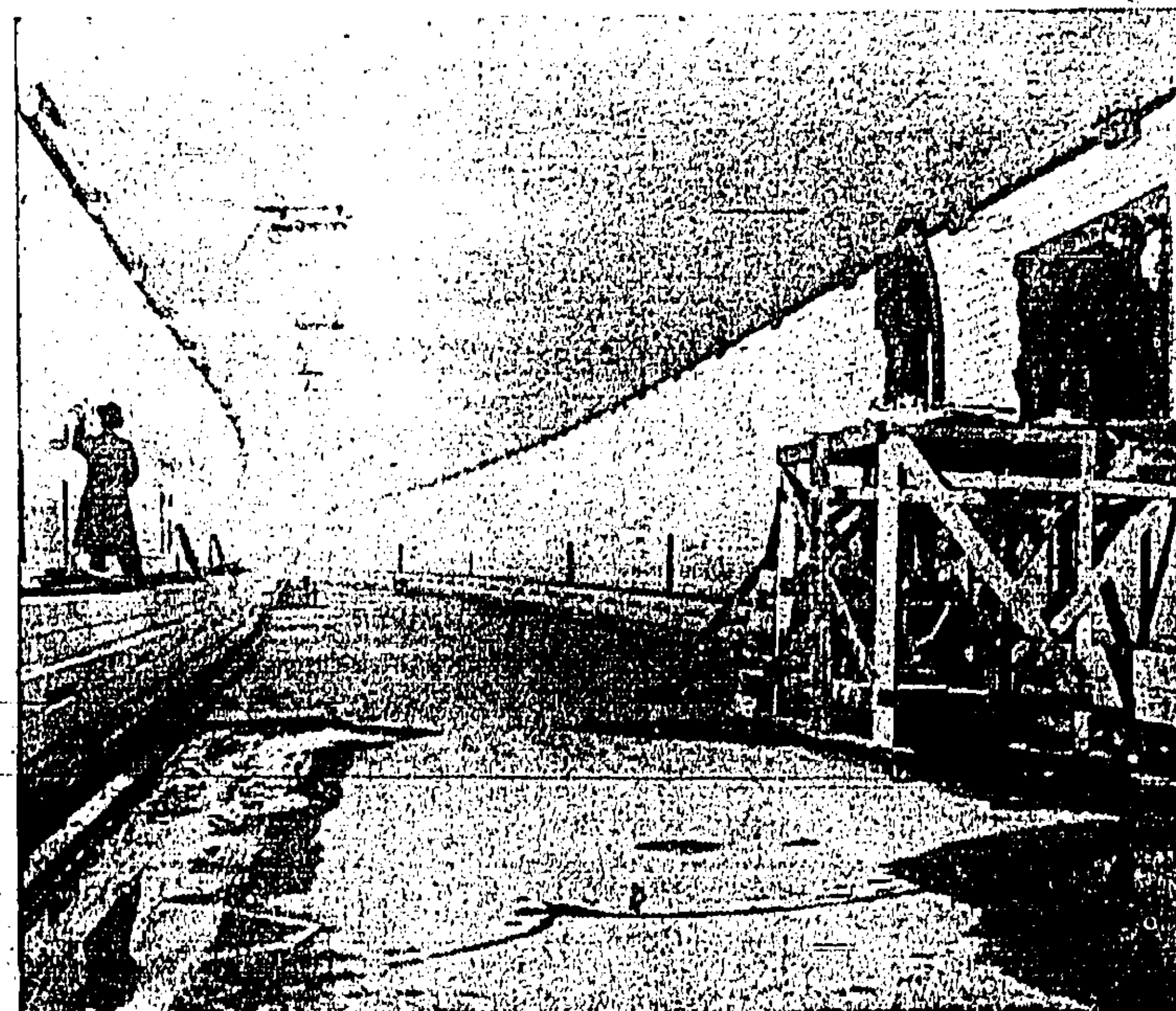
GUARDING THE STATUE—Colourful Swiss Guards stand by this 14-foot-high marble statue of Pope Pius XI in the chapel of St Sebastian in St Peter's Basilica, Rome. The statue was unveiled during a solemn ceremony attended by Pope Pius XII, who read a message of praise for his predecessor.



GUESTS AT PUPPET SHOW—These New York youngsters display a variety of moods as they watch a puppet show. The kiddies were guests at a children's party at which they were given ice cream, cake and gifts.



CONGRATULATIONS—After Margaret Truman made her first New York song recital, opera star Lauritz Melchior kissed her heartily backstage at Carnegie Hall.



FOR HAPPY MOTORISTS—The longest tile job ever undertaken in the U.S. is nearing completion in New York City's new \$80,000,000 Brooklyn-Battery tunnel. More than 780,000 square feet of tile, or enough for 6,500 average bathrooms, are being used on this job, which will be completed next spring. Here workmen are putting the finishing touches on a completed portion of the tunnel.

SHOWING
TO-DAY

MAJESTIC
AIR-CONDITIONED

At 2.30, 5.20,
7.20 & 9.30
P.M.



NEXT CHANGE, BY POPULAR REQUEST

Laurence Olivier presents

"HAMLET" by William Shakespeare

THE MOST UP-TO-DATE THEATRE ON THE MAINLAND

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At 2.30, 5.30,
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KING'S **LEE THEATRE**

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"Britannia News"
From the novel by
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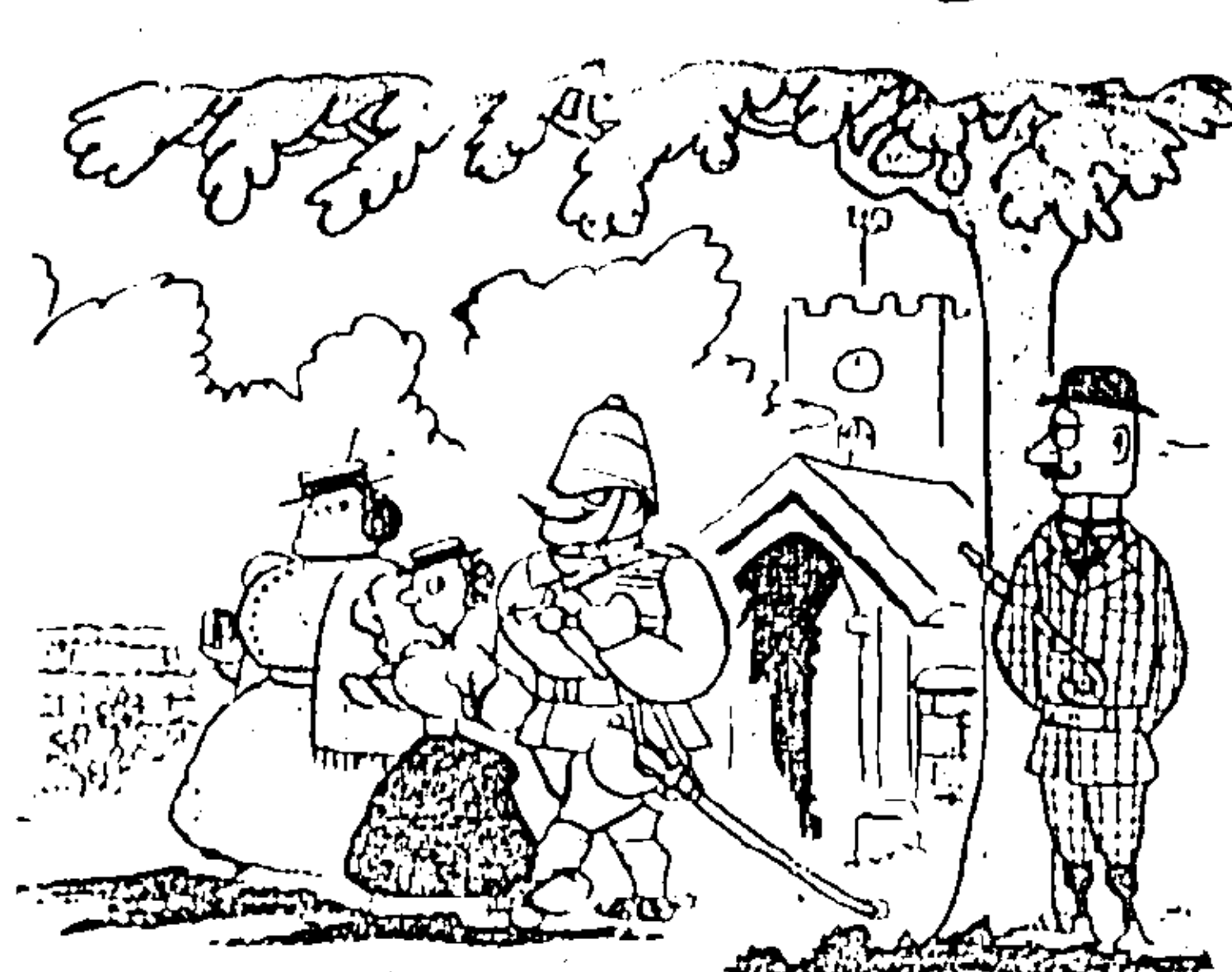
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FATHER... his changing role in the family circle

... by **FILES**



During the first part of the century, Dad was a big, upright young man with one eye on Mother and the other on her father.



And although, owing to Maternal celebrations and one thing and another, he was not always quite so upright, he eventually settled down and—



Before long a beautiful thing came into his life—his first son, George.



1914-18 found him winning his first war.



HALF A CENTURY OF FASHION: Stamp sheet of grandma's fashionable wardrobe for the last 50 years may be on sale at any post office. Price: 1s. per thousand sheets. Cut them out and stick them in your fashion book.
London Express Service

MILTON SHULMAN, a British film critic just back in London from America, writes a report on Los Angeles

Hollywood Culture —from newsreel to trailer

LOS ANGELES is very proud of Los Angeles. It is the only city in America that has a city seal. The city seal of Los Angeles is a shield with a sun, a star, and a mountain. The city seal of Los Angeles is a shield with a sun, a star, and a mountain.

Empty night clubs
SOME of the night clubs in Los Angeles are empty. The night clubs in Los Angeles are empty. The night clubs in Los Angeles are empty.

Rich and poor
FOR Los Angeles with all its money and power, it is a city of contrasts. The rich and the poor live in the same city. The rich and the poor live in the same city.

Neurotic Village
BUT none of these glib generalisations contain more than just a pinch of truth. For Hollywood is an urban, neurotic village blinking in the glare of its own klieg lights and trying desperately to do all salacious to be liked.

Enterprise (with capital E) makes this success story
From FREDERICK COOK in New York

WE HAVE heard a lot in the last couple of years about what is wrong with British trade in America. Now let us look at some of the things that are right about it. For many are.



THOSE WICKED TORIES OF 1831 AND 1731

THE mystery and guesswork surrounding the time and the result of the next election has now been dispelled. And we know what line the Tories are going to take when they appear to the country. Last time they had a stirring and stirring victory. They were the Tories. They were the Tories.

Labour's clarion cry for the Elections will be 'Let us face the past' by COLM BROGAN

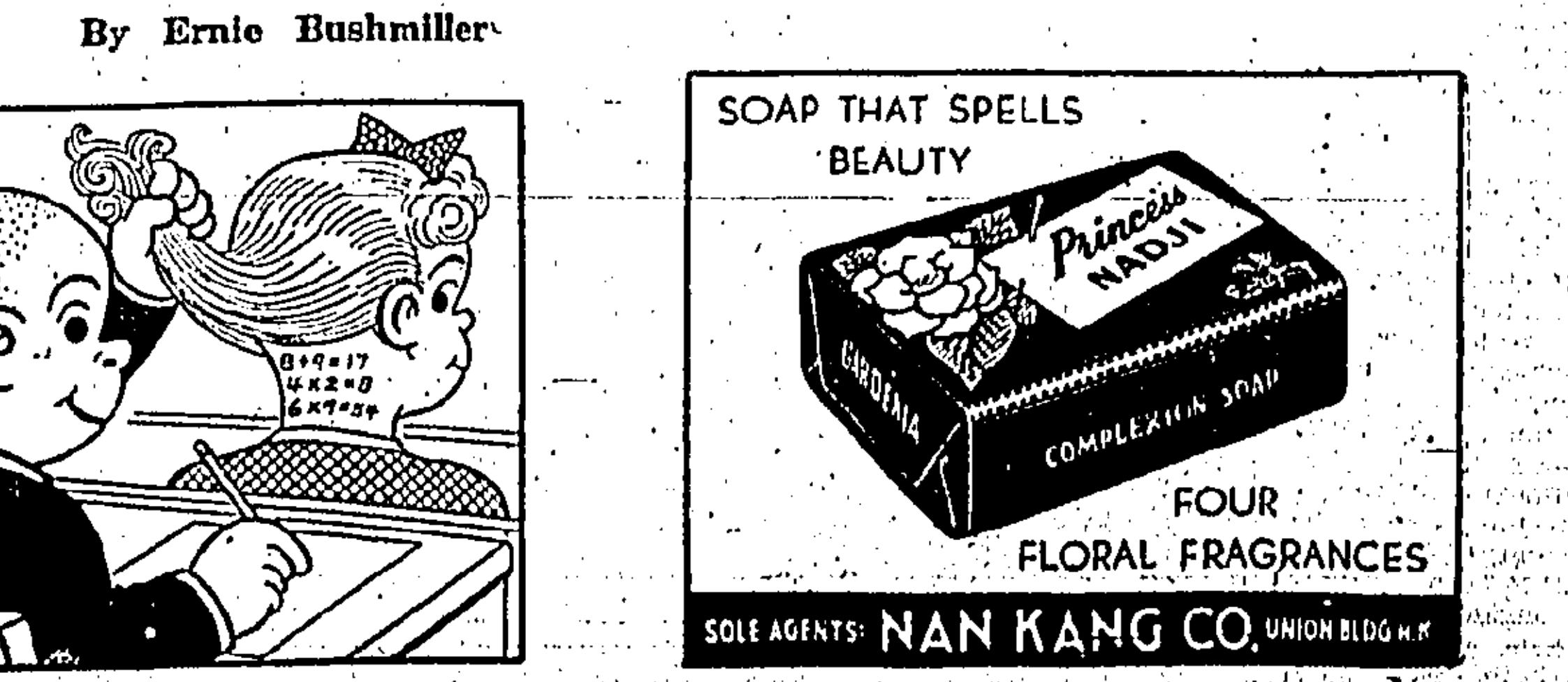
Then, of course, there was the Star Chamber. That was a cross between Belsen and the Island of Revenue. That was a cross between Belsen and the Island of Revenue.

Tory Henry VIII
So was 1531 Henry the Eighth was King. He was an exploiter and he looked like a cartoon of a capitalist. He was an exploiter and he looked like a cartoon of a capitalist.

All The Past
If you are facing the past why not face the past all at once? There were lots of past before 1931. The People did not start writing in helpless rage in 1931. For example, let us go back another century. Let us go back another century.

BRITISH IDEAS SCOOP \$ POOL
Enterprise (with capital E) makes this success story
From FREDERICK COOK in New York

He expects at least £40,000 worth of business by spring. The secret of his success was novelty. Americans already have good hot-water bottles of the standard kinds. He offered something new—bottles for children, made in the shape of pandas, sailor dolls and so forth.



Wingless Experiments



Now 19 weeks old, these wingless chickens are thriving at Newport, Shropshire. They are yellow in colour, and a little below normal weight. They were bred as an experiment.

RUSSIAN DOMINATION OF MANCHURIA INCREASING UNPOPULARITY OF USSR

BY CHANG KUO SIN

The Soviet Russians appear not to be well-liked by the Chinese people in Manchuria, which according to all reliable reports is being used as a testing ground for Soviet Communism in China. Chinese travellers from Manchuria said the people there have nicknamed the Russians "big nose," as they had nicknamed the Japanese "small nose."

They said a Communist cartoonist once drew many caricatures of a foreigner captioned "American Big Nose Imperialist." In one of the captions, he forgot to insert the word "American." The Russians took offence at that, and the cartoonist is now in a training camp for reeducation.

The Russian language has now been made compulsory in all schools in the country. One Communist sponsored Chinese educational mission to Manchuria visited a primary school one day and asked the pupils whether they felt any difference towards studying Russian then towards studying English.

The pupils pulled a long face but declined to answer.

In the old days, the pupils were taught to love their own tank and the flag of the Communist Party itself. According to the Communist propaganda, the writing of Huo Chien, a Chinese Communist journalist, had some influence on the Communist members of the Party in Manchuria.

PARTY CONTROVERSY

But much controversy has arisen in Manchuria, New China Daily, according to Huo Chien, for the charge against Soviet Russia of being "imperialist" towards China.

The controversy within the Communist Party is generally taken as confirmation of private information filtering into China Proper of the unpopularity of Soviet influence in China's rich North-east.

The exact extent of Soviet domination in Manchuria is hard to assess, but it must be very great, according to popular belief among informed circles, because of the Soviet control of the vital Changchun Railway and the terminal ports of Dairen and Port Arthur on the coast.

Manchuria is now designated a special area. This correspondent has seen a Communist map in which Manchuria was coloured differently from the rest of China. Chinese may travel to any part of China with relative freedom, but travel in Manchuria is strictly controlled. A special permit has to be obtained from the local authorities, with the approval of the Manchurian Communists. Recently, the Communists in Shanghai suspended the issue of

BRIGHT NOTE IN GREAT BRITAIN'S HEALTH PICTURE

London, Jan. 15.—Indications of the success of Britain's National Health Scheme was afforded by the publication on January 5 of the Registrar-General's Quarterly Return, covering England and Wales.

Brightest note in the picture was the record-making decrease in stillbirth and infant mortality rates in the September quarter of 1949. Deaths of children less than one year old numbered 4,885, or 26 per 1,000 births. The previous record was set in the same period of 1948, with 5,514 deaths, a rate of 28 per 1,000 births.

Similarly, stillbirths hit a record low of 4,104 (21.9 per 1,000), compared with

the previous lowest rate of 4,447 (22.7 per 1,000) in the September quarter of 1948.

Indonesians Attacked By Russians

London, Jan. 15.—Izvestia, the Soviet Government newspaper, today declared that to combat the mounting liberation movement in Indonesia, American imperialism reckoned on using both the Dutch armed forces and the "reactionary Hatta-Sekarni group."

The paper, quoted in a Tass report received in London, said that it was from this aspect that one should regard President Sekarni's recent statement that the Dutch colonial army would be merged into the armed force of the United States of Indonesia.

In other words, Hatta's troops will be put under the absolute control of the Dutch command.

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CIVIL LIBERTY

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Atom Bomb Defence

Washington, Jan. 15.—Plans to strengthen civilian defence against atom bombs through a coast-to-coast network of volunteer "ray spotters" were disclosed today by the United States Atomic Energy Commission.

The volunteers are to be given special courses. They will be taught how to detect the deadly rays resulting from an atomic blast.

An initial spotting team will be set up with "qualified educators and technicians" in each state.

After five weeks' training these are to pass on information to local science teachers who, in turn, will instruct volunteer groups recruited on a state-wide basis.

The training programme will start on March 13.—Reuter.

ROSELLINI'S LOVE LIFE

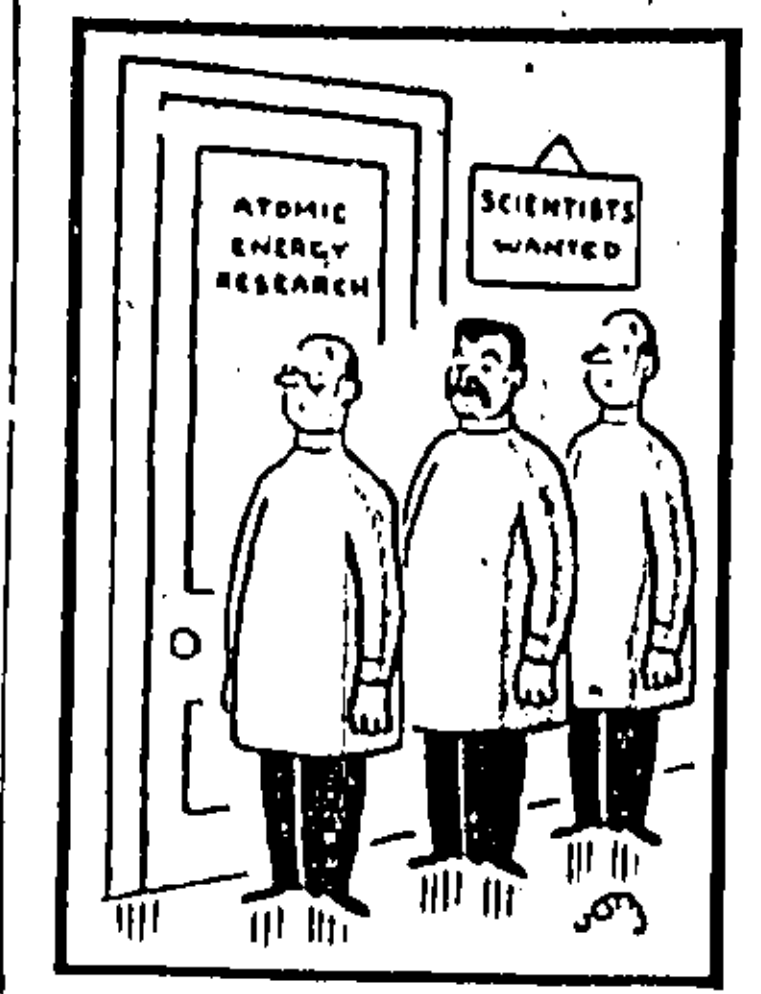
Rome, Jan. 15.—The actress, Anna Magnani, star of the film "Open City," said today in a letter to a newspaper that she had rejected an offer of marriage from Roberto Rossellini, the director, before he met Ingrid Bergman.

Rossellini's 13-year marriage to Marcelina de Marchis was annulled yesterday, leaving him free to marry Miss Bergman. Marcelina was reported yesterday as saying that she was willing to free him to wed Ingrid but would not have done so to let him wed Anna.—Reuter.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

1. Lady Jane Grey. 2. At Athens, Greece in 1090. 3. The spleen. 4. George. 5. Finland. 6. Animals.

POCKET CARTOON



WAFDIST OPPOSITION IS SPLIT

Cairo, Jan. 15.—Egypt's new Wafdist-dominated Chamber of Deputies will have no combined Opposition when it assembles here tomorrow, it became apparent tonight.

Muhammad Husayn Pasha, leader of the Liberal Constitutional Party, which with 26 seats is one of the strong Opposition groups, told colleagues that the Party had decided to conduct its opposition to Nubia Pasha's Wafdist Government on a separate line from the Saadists.

The aim of this policy, he said, was "in the best interests of the nation without any distinction."

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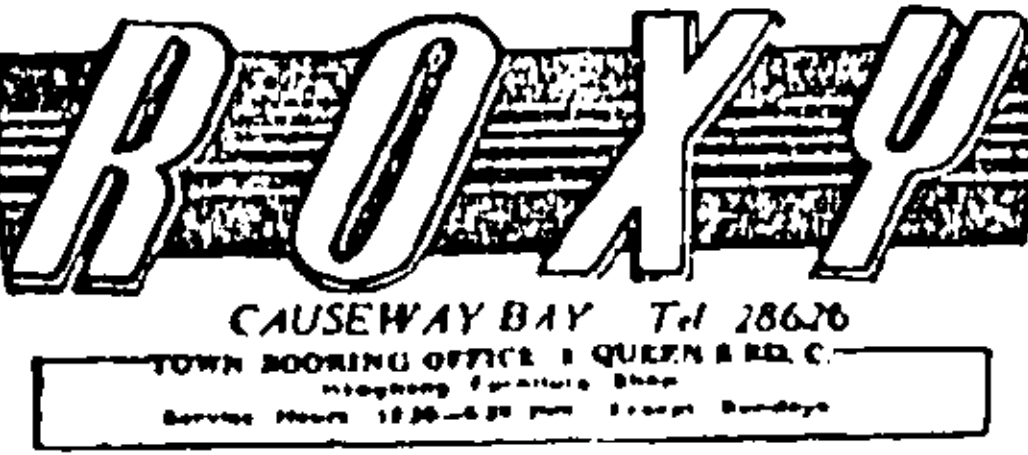
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WOMANSENSE

Must fashion go back to 1927 knee-length horrors?

by SUSAN DEACON

London
WE are being told that women's dress will be influenced mainly by the 1927 look. I can't think why!
There was never a fashion more unkind to women than the straight knee-length skirt and flat-bosomed silhouette of the late '20s.
Fashion designers, searching for a "New Look" should look elsewhere for their inspiration.
The 1949 look has settled down—why distort it?
The mid-calf hemline, slightly padded shoulders, and straight skirts are elegant, and for most women easy to wear.
Our waists and bustlines are in the right place and we are comfortable.
Even an up-to-date version of the 1927 look with a higher neckline, would be unattractive.



The curvaceous silhouette given by a shapeless bodice is seen in both these outfits.

As accessories to this fashion trend I hear that the plain court shoe, too, must go and that shoes will be pointed, buckled and strapped.

Pendant earrings reaching almost to shoulder length will take the place of the pearl half-rings and small drops, and doubtless, to complete the flapper look, will be the long cigarette holder and the shingle.

Watch for sales snags

THERE are some barriers to be found in women's clothes in the January sales, but remember that all reductions are not made on expensive clothes carefully before you buy them. Search the boutique for real values, examine the quality of the garment, make sure that the belt is not too tight, the buttons are fastening, or that the colour is faded.

Decorations in woolen dress materials are not. Any utility dress made from woolen fabric is to be more scarce in 1950 than the cotton dress of today.

Although rayon dresses will still be scarce in the early part of 1950 there will be more dresses made from rayon material in the shops, made from waffle and ribbed rayon in attractive colours.

It seems expensive for summer dresses, but the washability and quick drying properties of these dresses often the blow (London Express Service)



Uneven hemline and short skirt of the late '20s

Not Only At Christmas!

By G. C. MYERS, Ph.D.

MOST parents have a child's practice of "I want it now" all at once upon their own children at Christmas and rarely during the rest of the year. They want things, except perhaps on their birthdays, all the following Christmas. So, generally, this practice that many stores have to make for the sale of toys in the months of the year.

HONGKONG MENUS

Our cookery expert, Mrs. Ida Bailey Allen, has prepared for her readers some Hongkong menus which her friend, Mr. L. G. Shreve, an ECA official in China, suggested. The first of these will be featured in her department tomorrow.

so many of them at Christmas as to appreciate them fully then, or get much value from them.

Many a child is harmed, but not at Christmas time from getting so many playthings all at once. He may find from one toy to another, and grow more and more restless with them than he would be if he had but a few.

After your child has seen and examined all his playthings, persuade him to let you put a few of them in storage. If he is under three or four you might easily spirit some of them away.

Looking toward the future, begin now on a plan to purchase new toys one at a time throughout the year. The total amount you will need to spend on playthings added gradually need not be any greater than the annual amount you have been spending.

Educational Toys

Moreover, if you are alert, you can ascertain the trade name of outstanding educational toys as you come across them, and the name of the manufacturer. A small but increasing number of toy-makers have pioneered in producing very high grade playthings which have an educational purpose.

As such toys are usually very well-made the price of them may be a bit higher than the usual type of toys which sell fast in large quantities. However, a few of the very best toys enjoy being among the best sellers, especially a few of those meant for the pre-school child.

Toy advisers in high-grade toy stores or toy sections of department stores would also be glad to give you such information. Also some lenders you know of in the field of child development, child psychology and parent education might be ready to help you or refer you to reliable sources.

Even though you distribute your toy purchases throughout the year you can buy your young child too many toys. Don't overlook the very useful playthings for very young children to be found in any home—spools, clothespins, empty food cartons, pans and the like; also inexpensive materials like crayons, large sheets of newspaper, paper, sheets of coloured paper, kindergarten scissors, paste and modelling clay. More than playthings, your child needs parents who appreciate his creative joys at simple play.

Native Women Of Pacific Inspire Veteran To Create "Charm Guild"

PITTSBURGH
ALAN MICHEL, a 28-year-old veteran of the Pacific war, had a five-year dream fulfilled the day he sat down for the first time at his impressive desk in the offices of Charm Guild, Inc.

"I'm putting beauty on a production line," he said. "I've been thinking about it for years. Ever since the first time I saw a native woman in the South Pacific."

Charm Guild is a combination beauty salon, model school, fashion centre, and portrait photography. A woman can buy the latest fashion clothes there or get any beauty treatment she wants. She can attend Michel's modelling school or have her picture made. And she can do all at the same time.

One of the unique things about Michel's business is that a woman, bedragged after a day's shopping, can go in for a portrait and still look like a movie star when she gets in front of the camera.

Everything Provided

She can have her hair done and her eyebrows plucked, get a facial and the proper make-up and be dressed in the latest fashion clothes. A trained teacher of models will help her pose for the picture. After the portrait is made, she can change back into her own clothes and go home. All for no extra charge.

Michel got the idea for his business in 1944 when he went overseas as a lieutenant in the Navy Air Corps.

"Sometimes, we'd find an island that was inhabited. You'd hear the guys about every day that you spend in the islands—don't believe a word of it. They look worse every day."

A lot of the time Michel spent in the Pacific was given to anti-submarine warfare and air support for invasions. But during the long, lonely hours that fighting men spent just sitting and waiting, he thought of

a subject that has always been dear to my heart. Beautiful women.
You have no idea how horrible some of those natives could make themselves look," he recalled. Especially in Hawaii. They sprinkled ugly powders in their wrinkled undergarments. They dyed their bodies and carried themselves. They did the dearest things to themselves."

By JAMES W. HART

After looking at native women for a few months, Michel reached a decision. "I promised myself that when I got home, I was going to do everything I could to make American women even more beautiful than they already were. You might say I felt like a crusader. I wanted to dedicate myself to beauty in women."

When he was discharged from

the Navy at the end of the war, Michel studied business administration at the University of Pittsburgh. In June, 1949, he was graduated and started looking around for business prospects.

Business Grows

He consulted a beauty parlour operator who had been well known in Pittsburgh for 18 years. Together they developed his plans.

"The thing began to snowball," Michel said. "Every day we added about 10 to 15 new things to get a little bigger."

Beauty to Michel is more than just having the proper clothes and hair-do. He thinks women should have poise and an air of regality about them. Hence the modelling school. The photographer was just an added service.

But Michel is more than just a crusader. He thinks he has a pretty good idea for making money, too.—United Press.

TYPEWRITER PORTRAITS



Josef Abel, fashion designer in Frankfurt, Germany, shows some of the portraits he turned out on his typewriter. In background is Rita Hayworth.

Tips on Complexion Care



If you have trouble getting your face really clean try using a cleansing meal twice a week. Or there's a new deep-down cleansing cream that does a thorough job, too.

By HELEN FOLLE

OLD as the hills is the practice of using oils on the skin to keep it soft and smooth and to protect it from the elements. As it was found that oil was not convenient to handle, solids in wax like form were added to compound a substance that would offer resistance to the fingers. There are, of course, fragrant oils that are used for quick clean-ups, but they are not as effective for proper treatment and beautification of the complexion as emulsions or creams.

Semi-liquid emulsions are the favorite of some women to be used when they want to make a new face for dinner. They can be combined with cosmetic make-up to form packs or masks, some of which are used to the complexion when treating blackheads.

A good rule is to use a thin cream for cleaning and for treating sunburn, a heavy one for massage during that half hour before going to bed when

one attends to one's pulchritude. The light cosmetic can be used for removing make-up. Then the face is washed with warm water and a hand soap, rinsed off gently, and the massage cream is applied to remove any over-night.

The longer a cream remains on the better and more far-reaching are the results. The face seems to have it, laps it up, looks fresh and colourful in the morning.

There are skins that rebel against soap and oily cosmetics as well. One must under these circumstances, clean the face with a cosmetic meal sprinkled on a moist wash cloth. Or there's a new deep-down cleansing cream that might solve the problem.

Certainly, it is wise to "feed one's face." Women who started early in life to use beauty aids are the ones who keep looking youthful.



Let's Eat

BY IDA BAILEY ALLEN

Varied Recipes Make Fish A Boon To Your Pocket-book

MAINTAIN, Madame, that to provide better meals for less money, the homemaker must have in her repertoire a number of good fish dishes to serve during the week. For example, a simple fish and potato chowder is a tasty dish for the home dinner. And it can be made from any light coloured fresh or frozen fish, or a combination of fish and shellfish.

The French bouillabaisse, over which is served a thick sauce of roux, is a really a fish chowder, made from several varieties and cleverly spiced. In America also, you are fortunate to have a fine supply of fresh and tinned salmon. The salmon milk chowder which you had me taste for luncheon was really excellent.

"And tinned salmon also makes the most appetising fish cakes. Chef, especially when it is combined with cooked rice, and it's delicious scalloped with tinned corn kernels with a fluffy mashed potato topping. Then there is tinned tuna fish. A good suggestion for luncheon is a big Idaho potato, with a fluffy gratin filling, delightful with a vegetable plate."

Varieties

"Of course, Madame, if the food budget is not limited, you have the wonderful Maine lobsters; the Long Island oysters and clams; the Maryland crabs; the Florida pompano, the Louisiana shrimp; white fish from the Great Lakes, the California halibut, the Colorado rainbow trout."

"Now wait a minute, Chef. Those are all de luxe foods. And we are talking about better meals for less money."

"Ah, oui, Madame! So I would suggest a good roast fish dinner once each week, a cod or haddock, red snapper, catfish, sea bass or pike, for example. And for a second fish service each week, a tasty dish made from porgies, mackerel, perch or other small fish, or frozen fillets, such as the tomato-baked fish in our menu."

Dinner

Vegetable Soup with Dumplings
Tomato-Baked Porgies or Mackerel
Baked Potatoes
Summer Squash
Cabbage Salad with Green Dressing
Apple Cream Pie
Coffee or Tea Milk (Children)
Include enriched or whole grain bread or rolls with butter or margarine
All Measurements Are Level
Recipes Serve Four

Vegetable Soup with Dumplings

Bring 2 qts. water to a boil. Add 1 1/2 tsp. salt, 1/4 tsp. pepper and 1 c. split yellow peas. Cover and boil until they are nearly soft, about 30 min. If pre-cooked, from 1 to 1 1/2 hrs. if not pre-cooked. Then add 1/2 c. thin-sliced carrot rounds, 1/4 c. chopped onion, 1/2 c. fine-diced celery, 1/2 c. fine-diced green beans, 1/2 c. fine-diced white or yellow turnip and 2 tsp. minced parsley. Continue to cook until the vegetables are tender, about 25-30 min. longer. If desired, add ham bone or any kind of meat bone, may be put in the soup in the beginning to give a meat flavour and removed before serving. Garnish each plateful with 3 dumplings.

Dumplings

Melt 2 tsp. shortening. Add 1 small seeded and minced green pepper, and 1 small minced peeled onion. Cook until yellowed. Then stir into 2 c. enriched flour. If sifted with 3 tsp. baking powder, 1/2 tsp. salt and 1/4 tsp. powdered thyme. Stir in 3/4 c. water or reconstituted dry skim milk. Transfer to a lightly floured board, and pat to 1/2 in. in thickness. Cut into 1 in. squares. Drop into a kettle containing 2 qts. rapidly boiling salted water. Cover and boil 12-15 min. Remove with a perforated spoon and serve in vegetable soup.

Tomato-Baked Porgies Or Mackerel

Clean, split and season (two 1 lb.) porgies or mackerel. Rub the fish with 1/4 tsp. powdered thyme or marjoram, and place in an oiled baking pan. Dust with salt and pepper. Put a layer of seasoned, drained, tinned tomato inside each fish. Surround with tomato. Dot the fish with 1 tsp. margarine, shortening or saffron fat, and bake 35 min. in a moderate oven, 350 F. or until the flesh flakes when tested with a fork. Serve sprinkled with parsley.

Tomato-Baked Fish Fillets: In place of whole fish, use from 1 1/2 to 2 lbs. fish fillets, any kind. Season as described above. Place half the fillets in an oiled baking pan. Cover with seasoned tinned tomatoes, then with a second layer of fillets, and finish as directed.

Suggestion of the Chef: To make "green dressing" for cabbage salad, combine 2 tsp. minced green pepper, 1 tsp. minced parsley, 1/2 tsp. minced fresh dill and 1/4 c. French dressing.

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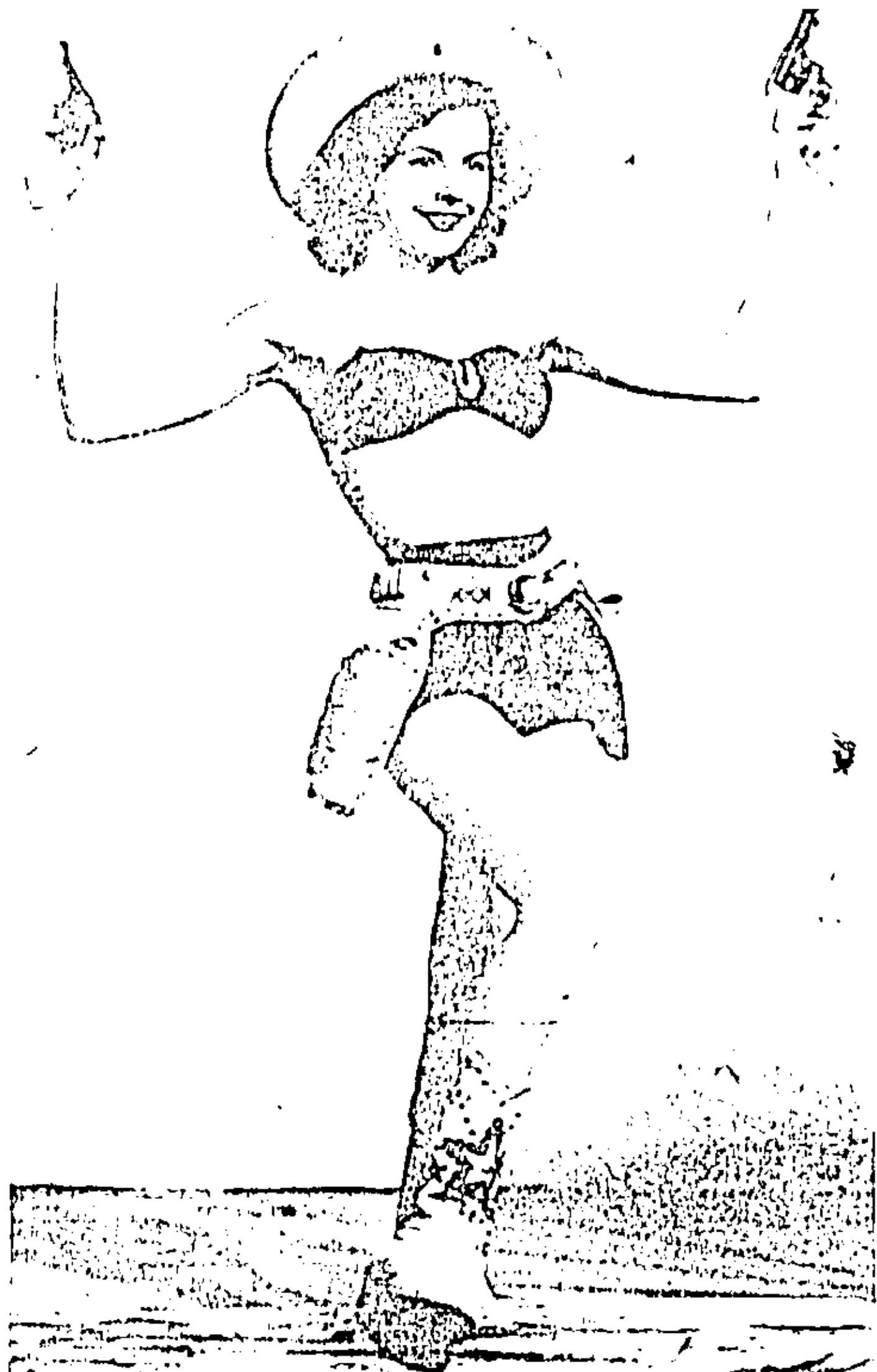
HE HAS THE KNOW-HOW—Starting with such basic raw materials as hard tins, old hot plates and discarded vacuum cleaners, young Johnny Clive Williams, 16, of Fayette, Alabama, is setting a fast pace for future farmers. His electrical achievements on the farm have won considerable attention. He is shown here with two of his four registered Jersey cows.



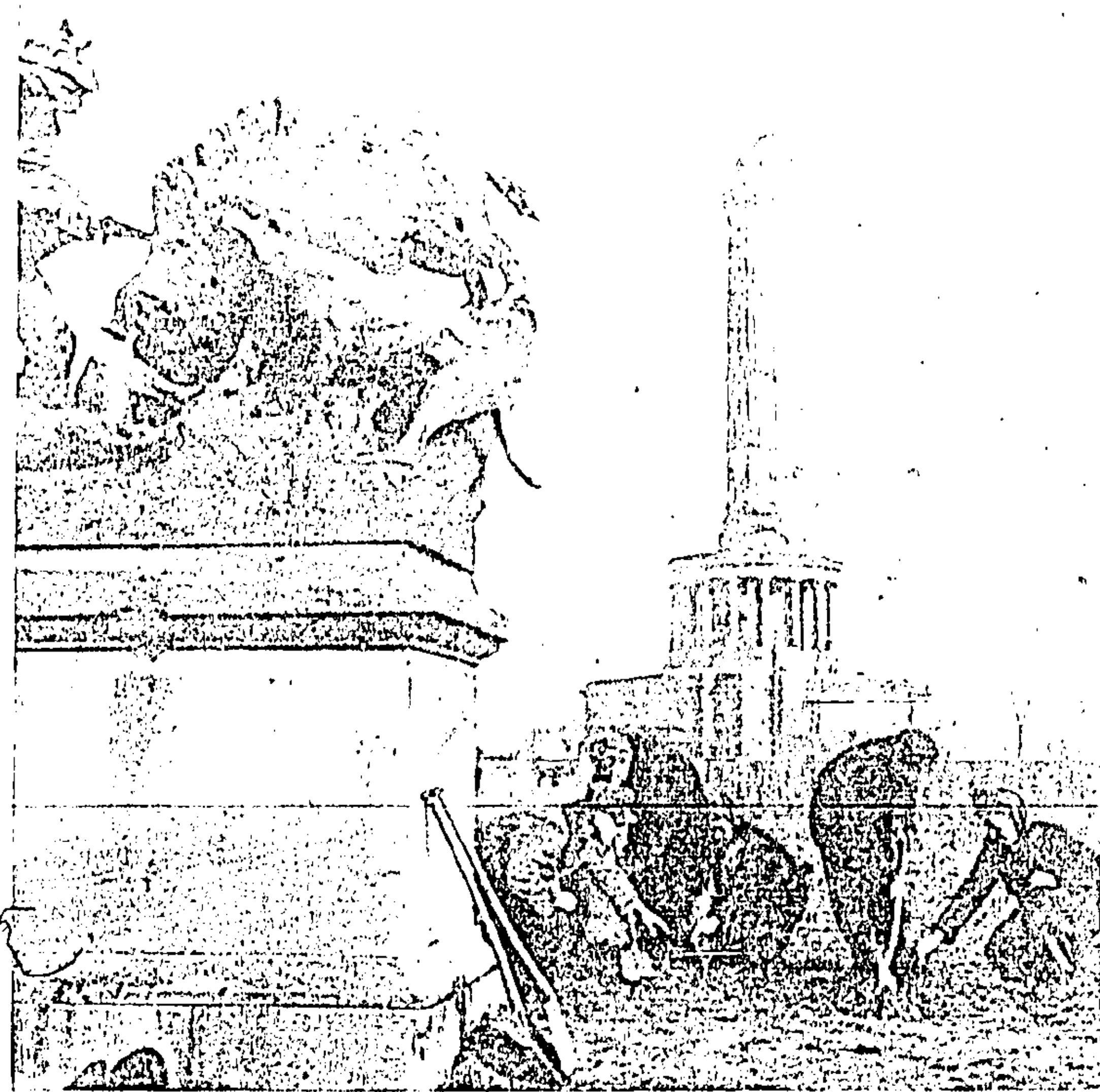
THOROUGHLY ESCORTED—Dressed in miniature uniforms of the Lanciers, two youthful but soldierly pages escort this young bridesmaid to a wedding in London. Their dignified bearing must indicate the great responsibility they feel.



GROWING UP—Actress Joan Crawford has been the star of many Hollywood premieres. On this occasion, she's treating two of her adopted children, Christine, left, and Christopher, to their first one in the film capital.



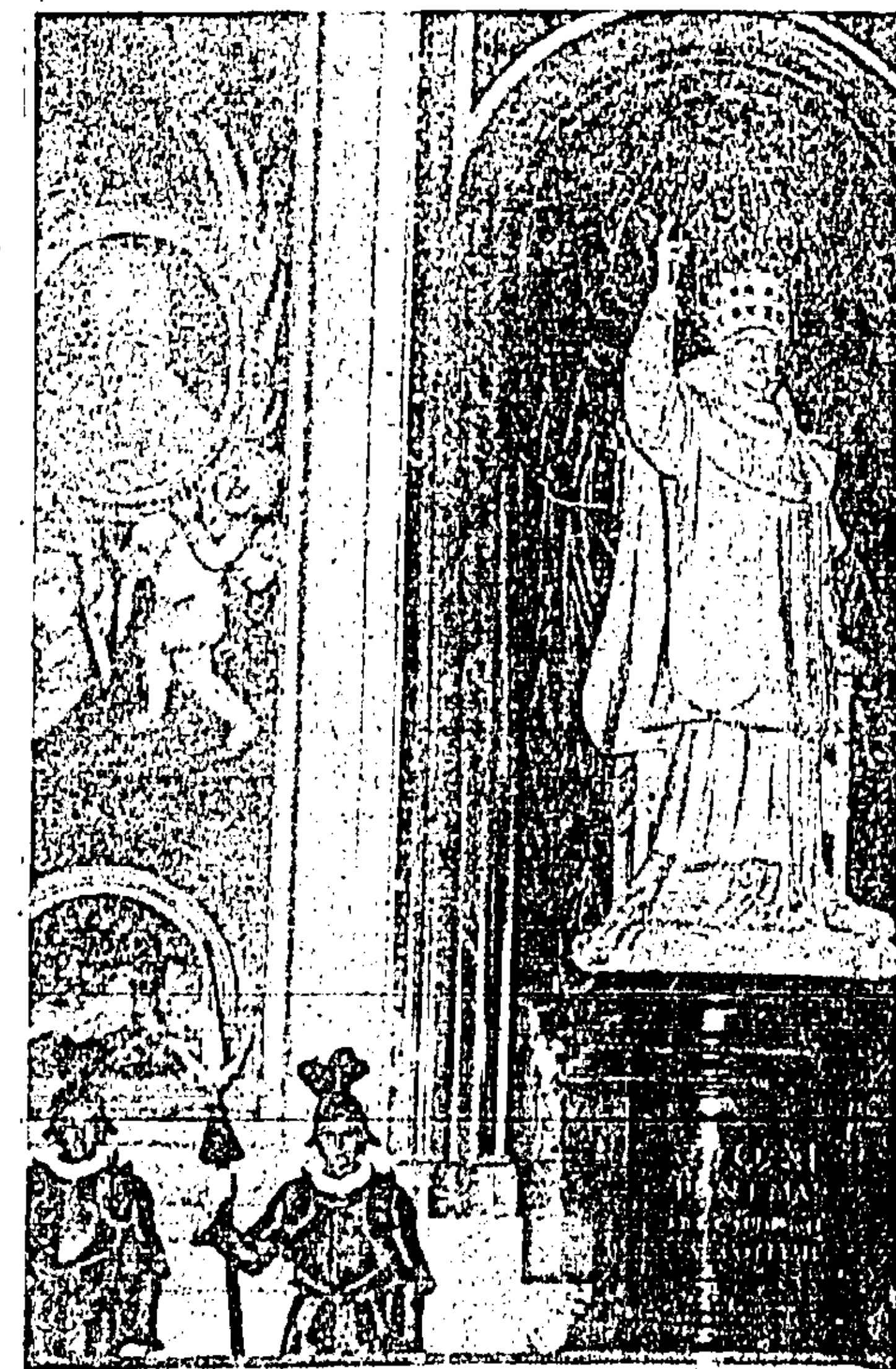
PISTOL-PACKIN' STARLET—Laura Elliott appears well-armed, in addition to being well-endowed with natural beauty. Laura's one of the busiest starlets in Hollywood, having appeared in 10 films in 15 months.



REPLANT BERLIN BATTLEGROUND—Gardeners plant small trees in the famous Tiergarten, which was destroyed during the battle for Berlin. The city of Bremen sent a gift of 30,000 oak, beech and lime trees to Berlin. In the foreground is a bullet-scarred monument depicting a wild boar hunt. In the background is a triumphal column.



RIDING HIGH—Claudette Stacey rides along the beach at San Juan, Puerto Rico, on the shoulders of Tomas Sanchez. They are dressed as pirates in search of rum.



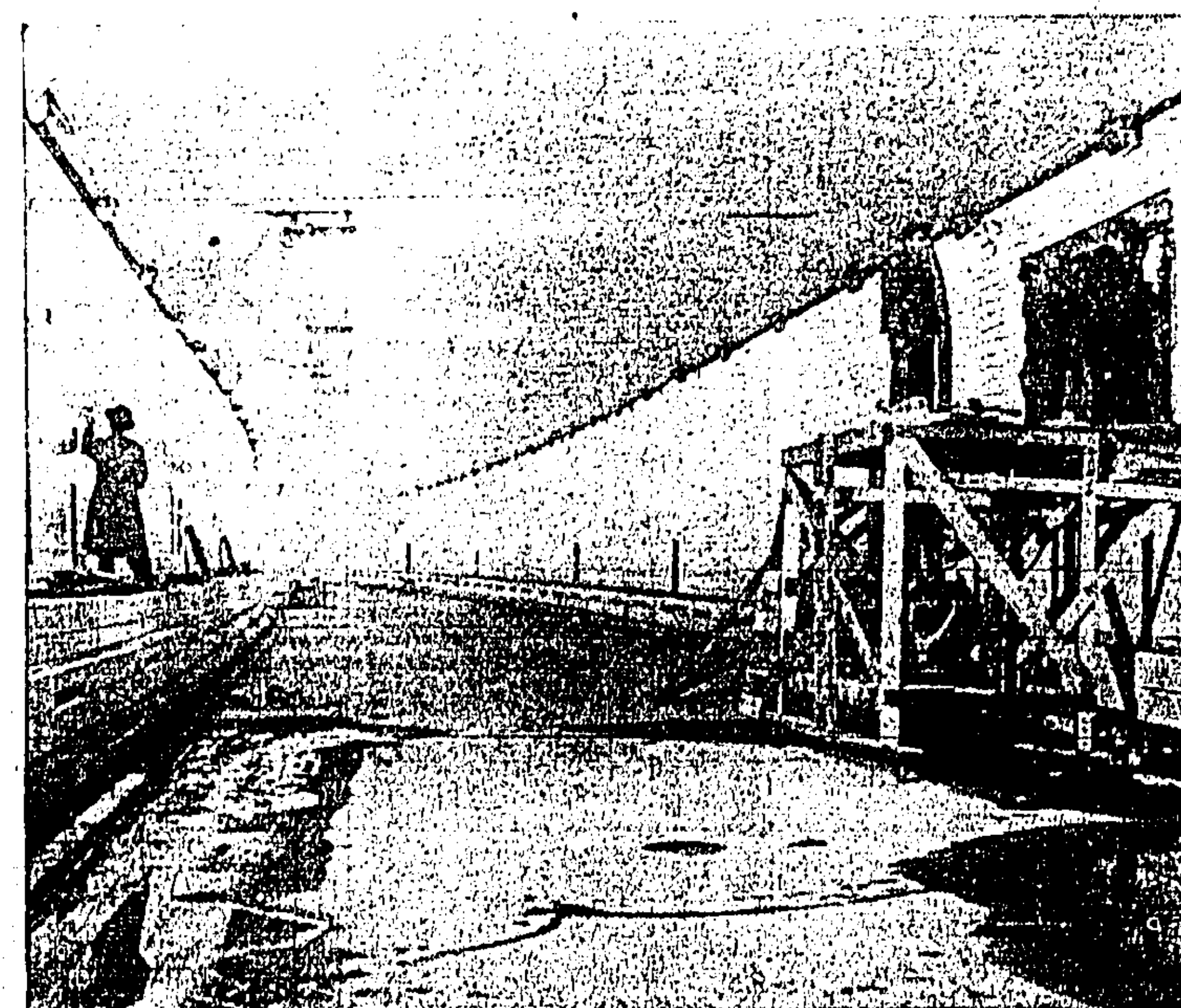
GUARDING THE STATUE—Colourful Swiss Guards stand by this 14-foot-high marble statue of Pope Plus XI in the chapel of St Sebastian in St Peter's Basilica, Rome. The statue was unveiled during a solemn ceremony attended by Pope Plus XII, who read a message of praise for his predecessor.



GUESTS AT PUPPET SHOW—These New York youngsters display a variety of moods as they watch a puppet show. The kiddies were guests at a children's party at which they were given ice cream, cake and gifts.



CONGRATULATIONS—After Margaret Truman made her first New York song recital, opera star Lauritz Melchior kissed her heartily backstage at Carnegie Hall.



FOR HAPPY MOTORISTS—The longest tile job ever undertaken in the U.S. is nearing completion in New York City's new \$80,000,000 Brooklyn-Battery tunnel. More than 780,000 square feet of tile, or enough for 6,500 average bathrooms, are being used on this job, which will be completed next spring. Here workmen are putting the finishing touches on a completed portion of the tunnel.

"No Question Of Anti-Communist Plan" At Colombo

NEHRU INTERVIEWED ON HOMEWARD TRIP

Nagpur, Jan. 15.—The Prime Minister of India, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, indicated here today that while South-east Asian problems loomed large at the Colombo Conference of Commonwealth Ministers, there was no question of any joint defence plan against Communist aggression being visualised by it.

Making the first Ministerial comment since the Conference disbanded yesterday, Pandit Nehru told reporters at Nagpur Airport: "We did not even discuss it."

There was no question of any joint defence plan against Communist aggression being visualised by it. He said that the South-east Asian situation was a very serious one and that the Commonwealth Ministers had discussed it at length. He said that the Ministers had agreed to continue to work together for the maintenance of peace and stability in the region.

Asked to say whether the Ministers had discussed the possibility of a joint defence plan against Communist aggression, Pandit Nehru said: "We did not even discuss it." He said that the Ministers had discussed the South-east Asian situation at length and had agreed to continue to work together for the maintenance of peace and stability in the region.

NO COMMITMENT

Pandit Nehru said that the Ministers had discussed the South-east Asian situation at length and had agreed to continue to work together for the maintenance of peace and stability in the region. He said that the Ministers had discussed the possibility of a joint defence plan against Communist aggression, but that they had not reached any conclusion on the matter.

Unofficial Plebiscite In Cyprus

Nicosia, Jan. 15.—The first man to sign today the unofficial plebiscite demanding the union of Cyprus with Greece was the 80-year-old Archbishop of Cyprus.

The plebiscite was initiated by the Greek Cypriot community to provide a formal expression of opinion on the future of the island. The Archbishop's signature was the first of many, and it was followed by a large number of other prominent figures.

The plebiscite, which has the support of all parties from left to right, will continue until January 22, when counting will start. Official results are due to be announced by the Greek Cypriot community.

CHURCH BELLS PEAL

Church bells pealed all day today as the Greek Cypriot community celebrated the unofficial plebiscite. The bells were rung in a series of peals throughout the day.

Many of the illiterate older voters were accompanied by their grand-children, who signed on their behalf before the voters attached their thumb mark in support of their choice.

British troops have been told to stay in their camps throughout today. Police were alerted, but up to this afternoon there have been no incidents. Copies of the plebiscite forms will be sent to the Greek and British Governments and the Secretariat of the United Nations.—Reuter.

RELIEF FLEET ON WAY

Santiago, Jan. 15.—Radio dispatches from the Chilean base in North Graham Land reported that the weather had been favourable and the Chilean relief fleet was expected to arrive there tomorrow morning. The fleet was crossing Bransfield Strait under clear skies and moderate weather at midday today, dispatches received by the Army radio here reported. Either the Lintaur or the Lintaur or both will attempt to relieve the British scientists on Stonington Island after relieving the Chilean base group. The transport "Mambo" remained at Sovereign Bay in the South Shetland Islands, from where the Lintaur and Lintaur departed for Graham Land.—United Press.

Experts Probe "Poison-Arrow" Theory



Monique, 20-year-old heiress-wife of Don John Carlos da Silva Ramos, son of a former Brazilian consul at Biarritz, who was recently found dead in France. Paris experts believe she may have been killed by curare, the poison used on arrow-tips by South American Indians. Monique's husband (right) is being held by the police.



India's 'Iron Man' Has 5-Year Plan

Calcutta, Jan. 15.—The Deputy Prime Minister of India, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, today urged all Indians to "work together for the next five years" to make India strong and prosperous.

Sardar Patel, who is known as the "Iron Man" of India, said that the five-year plan was a blueprint for the future of the country. He said that all Indians must work together to achieve the goals of the plan.

U.N. Hears Experts' Plan For Lasting World Prosperity

Lake Success, Jan. 15.—Experts of four nations, reporting to the United Nations today on ways of achieving full employment, urged closer international co-operation to stabilise world trade and a "far more conscious direction of policy" than has yet been attempted in developing non-industrial areas.

The unanimous report—by United States, British, French and Australian economists—emphasised the greater obligations on the United States and other highly industrialised nations for attaining lasting world prosperity.

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Nationalists' Claim To Mainland Airfield

Taipei, Jan. 15.—The Chinese Nationalists announced today that they had established an airfield in South-west China, and that aircraft would fly in with supplies for the isolated troops still fighting the Communists.

The Nationalist Government also claimed to have tightened the Naval defences of Hainan Island against an expected Communist invasion, while the Air Force bombed and strafed Communist Army concentration points on the China coast.

Government sources said that the Nationalists had established the airfield in Yunnan province, about 50 miles from the Indo-Chinese border, resuming the airport to Civil Air Transport planes. The first planes are expected to fly out available in the near future.

Another Nationalist source reported that General Hu Tsung-nan, successful commander of Chengtu, was scoring local successes in Szechwan province, against the Nationalist army in the centre for anti-Communist guerrilla activities.

The Nationalists think it possible that the turn coat provincial government, General Hu Han, of Yunnan province might enter the Government fold. Government sources said that the Nationalists had not received proper co-operation from the Communists.

Nationalist sources said that they could keep the airfield open in Yunnan they could

ferri in enough supplies and money to Li Mi and Hu Tsung-nan to impress Lu Han forcefully.—United Press.

U.N. POSITION

Lake Success, Jan. 15.—Nationalist Chinese sources said today that their delegation could fight off any attempt by Chinese Communist sympathisers to oust them from the United Nations, Little Assembly, which meets tomorrow.

The Nationalists remain in the UN Security Council on a three-vote basis, including their own and claiming that they will be able to keep their council seat for an indefinite time.

If the Security Council, five of whose 11 members have to concur, the Chinese Communist, did not oust them, then the Little Assembly is unlikely to pass a Nationalist-sponsored motion.

Most of the members of the UN have not recognised the Communists.

The Little Assembly is to take up the charges by the Nationalist leader, Dr. T. T. Tsiang, that Soviet Russia has violated old treaties with the Nationalists and given military and other aid to the Chinese Communists.

"HANDS OFF"

The UN General Assembly, in its last session, voted a "hands off" policy on China, but said that the Little Assembly could study any further charges, even to the point of having the Secretary-General report the case to the Security Council.

Dr. Tsiang has not made known whether he will repeat his demands that UN members withhold all aid from the Chinese Communist, and request their diplomatic recognition.

Dr. Tsiang withdrew his demands in the General Assembly and a dozen nations, including Britain, have since recognised the Communist regime.—Associated Press.

Radio Hongkong

Radio Hongkong, which has been broadcasting since 1946, is now the only radio station in the colony. It is owned and operated by the Government. The station broadcasts a variety of programmes, including news, music, and educational programmes. It is a popular station among the Hong Kong population.



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Taikoo Dock Engineer's Sudden Death

Mr. Thomas Charles Barclay, plant engineer of the Taikoo Dockyard, died of a sudden heart attack in his home at 16 Stanley Terrace Quarry Bay, at midnight last night. He is survived by his wife and a son, Campbell, of Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Company, Ltd.

Mr. Barclay, who would have been 56 in a week's time, joined the Taikoo Sugar Refinery as a power plant engineer in 1924 when he came from Shanghai. He was transferred to Taikoo Dockyard in May, 1948, and was due for home leave next month.

As an internee at Stanley, Mr. Barclay proved himself an able worker and a true friend. He was a member of the Hongkong Football Club and a keen follower of football and a fine bowler.

De Gasperi's New Move

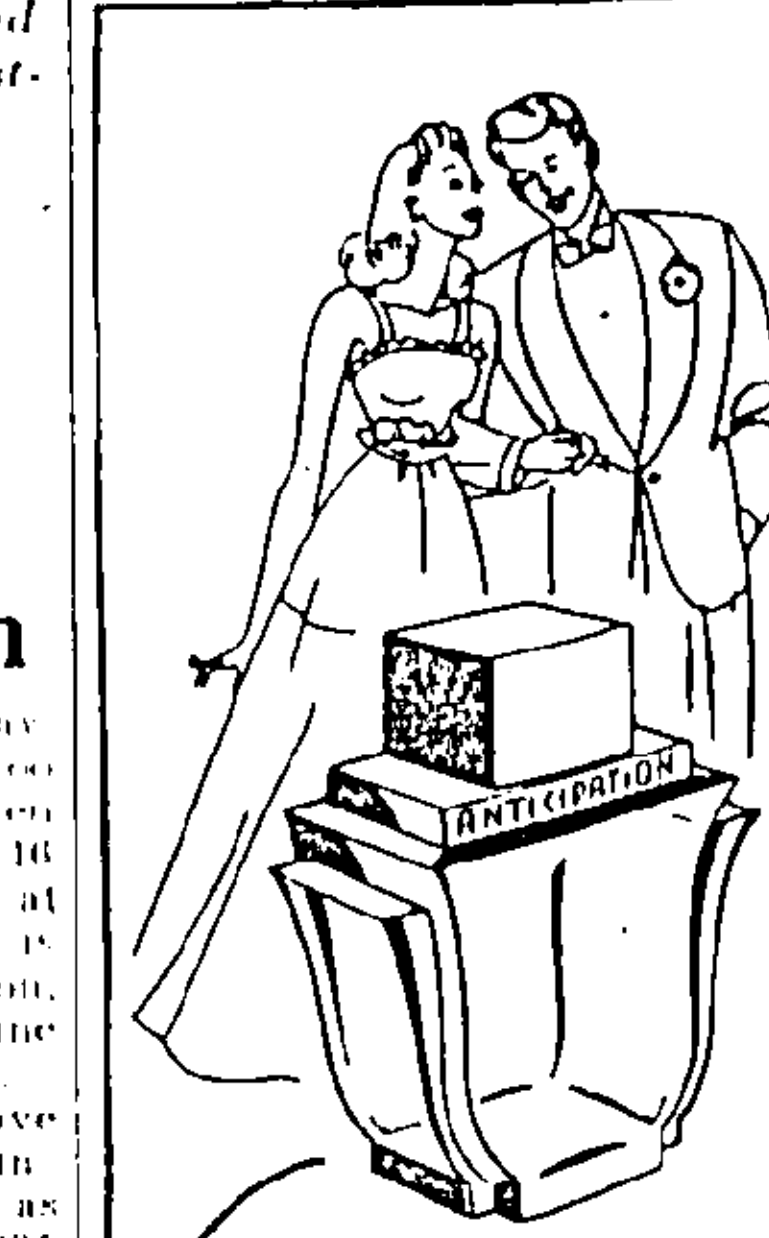
Rome, Jan. 15.—Premier Alcide de Gasperi, in an unexpected move, today resumed consultations with the Liberal, Republican and Right Wing Socialist Party leaders. Signor de Gasperi cut short his outing in Albano, 15 miles south of Rome, to speed up work for the formation of his sixth Cabinet, entrusted to him yesterday by President Luigi Einaudi.

The Premier first received Liberal leaders, discussing the Liberal point of view on agrarian reform, administrative and electoral laws and enactment of a popular referendum.

After the conference, the Liberal spokesman said they had not encountered any insurmountable difficulties.

De Gasperi later received Republican leaders, who told the Premier their desire for a "truly efficient coalition government which should last two years."

After the Republicans, Signor de Gasperi received the Right Wing Socialist delegation.—United Press.



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